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[*on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/68/933)*]

68/298. Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 1863 (2009)

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Support Office for the African Union Mission in Somalia[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

Recalling Security Council resolution 1863 (2009) of 16 January 2009, in which the Council expressed its intent to establish a United Nations peacekeeping operation in Somalia as a follow-on force to the African Union Mission in Somalia, subject to a further decision of the Council by 1 June 2009, and requested the Secretary-General, in order for the forces of the Mission to be incorporated into a United Nations peacekeeping operation, to provide a United Nations logistical support package to the Mission, including equipment and services,

Recalling also the subsequent resolutions of the Council by which the logistical support package for the Mission was extended, the latest of which was resolution 2124 (2013) of 12 November 2013, by which the Council extended the logistical support package until 31 October 2014,

Recalling further its resolution 63/275 A of 7 April 2009 on the financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 1863 (2009) and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 67/285 of 28 June 2013,

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the United Nations Trust Fund established to support the African Union Mission in Somalia,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Support Office for the African Union Mission in Somalia as at 30 April 2014, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 115.0 million United States dollars,

[1] A/68/605 and A/68/745.

[2] A/68/782/Add.9.

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representing some 7 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 74 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013

3. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Support Office for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013;[3]

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015

4. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Support Office for the African Union Mission in Somalia the amount of 528,207,800 dollars for the period from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015, inclusive of 489,968,100 dollars for the maintenance of the Support Office, 31,704,400 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 6,535,300 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

Financing of the appropriation

5. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 176,069,267 dollars for the period from 1 July to 31 October 2014, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

6. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 5 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 2,360,767 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 1,495,367 dollars approved for the Support Office, the prorated share of 670,767 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 194,633 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

7. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 352,138,533 dollars for the period from 1 November 2014 to 30 June 2015 at a monthly rate of 44,017,317 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2014 and 2015, as set out in its resolution 67/238, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Support Office;

8. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 7 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 4,721,533 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 2,990,733 dollars approved for the Support Office, the prorated share of 1,341,533 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 389,267 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

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[3] A/68/605.

9. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Support Office, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 5 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the amount of 28,473,800 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2013, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013, as set out in its resolution 67/238;

10. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Support Office, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the amount of 28,473,800 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2013, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 9 above;

11. *Decides* that the increase of 420,700 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2013 shall be added to the credits in the amount of 28,473,800 dollars referred to in paragraphs 9 and 10 above;

12. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the United Nations Trust Fund established to support the African Union Mission in Somalia;

13. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-ninth session the item entitled "Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 1863 (2009)".

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